

# **Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Services Division

HF 2297 – Boiler Inspections (LSB5645HV)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

#### Description

<u>House File 2297</u> relates to boiler and unfired steam pressure vessel inspections and specifies the following:

- Steel hot water boilers and other objects will no longer be required to have an annual external inspection. The external inspection will only be required for years in which an internal inspection does not take place.
- Low pressure steam boilers in dry lay-up will be required to have an internal inspection in lieu of an external inspection.
- Inspection exemptions for water heaters used for potable water are expanded to include larger capacity heaters and heaters with higher burner input.

#### **Assumptions**

- The annual certification fee is \$40, and approximately 7,600 certifications issued by the
  Division of Labor under the Iowa Department of Workforce Development (IWD) are impacted
  by the changes to the burner input.
- An inspection fee is \$55, and the IWD performs approximately 1,400 inspections annually on the lower burner input heaters with insurance company employees performing the remaining inspections.
- An inspection fee is \$55, and the IWD performs approximately 1,000 inspections annually
  on other objects that would no longer require an annual inspection due to the changes to
  lowa Code section 89.3(7).
- Information is not available about the number of heaters impacted by the changes to the inspection exemptions based on the size of the heater.
- The reduction in inspections performed by the IWD will reduce the need for salary and travel costs of 1.0 FTE position.

## **Fiscal Impact**

<u>House File 2297</u> will eliminate an estimated 7,600 certifications and 2,400 inspections, thereby reducing the net revenue to the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety Revolving Fund by an estimated \$329,000 annually beginning with FY 2019.

Estimated Boiler a	nd Pres	sure Vess	el S	afety Re	volvir	ng Fund
Re	evenue	and Expe	ndit	ures		
	Est. FY 2018		FY 2019		Est. Annual Impact	
Revenue						
Boiler Fund (Fees)	\$	1,347,000	\$	911,000	\$	(436,000)
Total Revenue	\$	1,347,000	\$	911,000	\$	(436,000)
Expenditures						
Salaries	\$	666,000	\$	566,000	\$	(100,000)
Support		65,000		65,000		-
Travel		124,000		117,000		(7,000)
Total Expenditures	\$	855,000	\$	748,000	\$	(107,000)
Net Impact	\$	492,000	\$	163,000	\$	(329,000)
FTEs		8.0		7.0		-1.0

### **Source**

Iowa Department of Workforce Development

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The fiscal note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.